

The Crow Tribe Water Rights Settlement Act of 2010 ratifies the Crow-Montana Water Rights Compact, which was adopted by the Montana State Legislature in 1999. It establishes tribal water rights and settles claims against the government. The bill provides for funding that will be used to more fully develop tribal water resources. This water compact was endorsed by the administration—one of the first to receive this level of consensus and support.

I commend the tribe and the administration, particularly Chairman Cedric Black Eagle and the Commissioner of the Bureau of Reclamation, Mike Connor, and their respective teams for their hard work on this. I also want to thank the Senate Indian Affairs Committee, Chairman DORGAN and Ranking Member BARASSO, for their work reaching consensus. Finally, I want to thank my colleague from Montana, Senator JON TESTER, who has worked so hard to push this through the Senate.

This was truly a bi-partisan effort with cooperation here in the Senate from Senator BINGAMAN, Senator KYL, Senator DORGAN, and Senator GRASSLEY, all of whom worked together and compromised so that we could come together today and do the right thing.

With the House passage of this bill, we are settling decades-old injustices and claims against the government. We are bringing our Nation closer together. I am proud to stand here today, having been a part of making this happen, and I look forward to the day that we see President Obama's signature on this bill.

TRIBUTE TO GREYSON BUCKINGHAM

Mr. BARRASSO. Mr. President, I would like to take the opportunity to express my appreciation to Greyson Buckingham for his hard work as an intern in my Washington, DC, office. I recognize his efforts and contributions to my office as well as to the State of Wyoming.

Greyson is a native of Wyoming and graduated from Jackson Hole High School. He currently attends Georgetown University, where he is majoring in history and government and minoring in Spanish and philosophy. Throughout his internship, he has demonstrated a strong work ethic which has made him an invaluable asset to our office. The quality of his work is reflected in his great efforts over the last several months.

I want to thank Greyson for the dedication he has shown while working for me and my staff. It was a pleasure to have him as part of our team. I know he will have continued success with all of his future endeavors. I wish him all my best on his next journey.

TRIBUTE TO IAN LOWE

Mr. BARRASSO. Mr. President, I would like to take the opportunity to

express my appreciation to Ian Lowe for his hard work as an intern in my Washington, DC, office. I recognize his efforts and contributions to my office as well as to the State of Wyoming.

Ian is a native of Wyoming and graduated from Campbell County High School. He graduated from the University of Wyoming, where he majored in international studies and environment. Throughout his internship, he has demonstrated a strong work ethic which has made him an invaluable asset to our office. The quality of his work is reflected in his great efforts over the last several months.

I want to thank Ian for the dedication he has shown while working for me and my staff. It was a pleasure to have him as part of our team. I know he will have continued success with all of his future endeavors. I wish him all my best on his next journey.

TRIBUTE TO ROBERT DALEY

Mr. BARRASSO. Mr. President, I would like to take the opportunity to express my appreciation to Robert Daley for his hard work as an intern in my Washington, DC, office. I recognize his efforts and contributions to my office as well as to the State of Wyoming.

Robert is a native of Pennsylvania and graduated from Governor Mifflin Public High School. He graduated from American University, where he majored in political science. Throughout his internship, he has demonstrated a strong work ethic which has made him an invaluable asset to our office. The quality of his work is reflected in his great efforts over the last several months.

I want to thank Robert for the dedication he has shown while working for me and my staff. It was a pleasure to have him as part of our team. I know he will have continued success with all of his future endeavors. I wish him all my best on his next journey.

TRIBUTE TO MAX WEISS

Mr. BARRASSO. Mr. President, I would like to take the opportunity to express my appreciation to Max Weiss for his hard work as an intern in my Rock Springs office. I recognize his efforts and contributions to my office as well as to the State of Wyoming.

Max is a native of Wyoming and graduated from Rock Springs High School. He attended Leiden University where he received his master's of clinical psychology. Throughout his internship, he has demonstrated a strong work ethic which has made him an invaluable asset to our office. The quality of his work is reflected in his great efforts over the last several months.

I want to thank Max for the dedication he has shown while working for me and my staff. It was a pleasure to have him as part of our team. I know he will have continued success with all of his future endeavors. I wish him all my best on his next journey.

ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS

TRIBUTE TO JOHN P. COLLIER

• Mrs. SHAHEEN. Mr. President, today I congratulate Professor John Collier for being recognized as the 2010 New Hampshire Professor of the Year. This prestigious award recognizes Professor Collier's extraordinary dedication to undergraduate teaching and his positive influence on the lives and careers of his students.

Professor Collier is the Myron Tribus Professor of Engineering at Dartmouth, and has been teaching the introductory engineering course at Dartmouth's Thayer School of Engineering since the 1980s. His course is extremely popular among students because of its emphasis on practical, hands-on skills and problem solving. With Professor Collier's expert guidance, students in his introductory engineering course work in teams to solve real-world engineering problems in creative ways. Many former students of Professor Collier's note that the system of thinking they learned in his classes proved to be not only a cornerstone of their undergraduate educations but also their chosen professions.

Professor Collier is an expert on orthopedic implant design and engineering, and one of the world's foremost researchers on how and why implants fail. Failed implants are sent to his lab by the thousands, and his research is often used by implant manufacturers to improve the quality of their products.

The U.S. Professors of the Year program acknowledges the most exceptional undergraduate instructors in the country—those who stand out in their teaching and are a positive influence on the lives and careers of their students. It is important that we recognize the contributions that dedicated professors like John Collier make in educating young people. I am extremely proud that Professor Collier has been recognized with this distinguished honor.●

TRANSMITTING NOTIFICATION OF THE IMPLEMENTATION OF AN ALTERNATIVE PAY PLAN FOR LOCALITY PAY INCREASES FOR CIVILIAN FEDERAL EMPLOYEES COVERED BY THE GENERAL SCHEDULE AND CERTAIN OTHER PAY SYSTEMS IN JANUARY 2011—PM 68

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the following message from the President of the United States, together with an accompanying report; which was referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs:

To the Congress of the United States:

The law authorizes me to implement an alternative pay plan for locality pay increases for civilian Federal employees covered by the General Schedule